

EDGE

When kickoff is still hours away the real games begin. Check out Page 6 for a story about some of K-State's favorite tailgating games and recipes.

ONCE IN A LIFETIME

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INSIDE

Beach Art Museum is displaying faculty art. Check out the story on Page 10 and more photos at [kstatecollegian.com](http://kstatecollegian.com)

## Manhattan looks to ban cellphone use while driving

By Shelton Burch  
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

In October, the Manhattan City Council is scheduled to discuss the ordinance dealing with traffic regulations, and to consider adding a ban on handheld communication devices.

The potential ban would only apply within Manhattan city limits because the Riley County Commission has not put a ban of its own into place yet.

Bob Strawn, mayor of Manhattan, said the necessary modification of the ordinance could happen as soon as October when the annual review of the traffic laws is brought before the city commission.

"It's time to put the hammer down on this, and I'm going to be the one to do it if I can convince the rest of the commission to do it," Strawn said. "The ordinance dealing with traffic regulations is debated every fourth quarter, so it's scheduled to come up."

Strawn said there will probably be a 60-day waiting period for citizens to protest the change, in the event that the council does put such a ban into effect.

Strawn has six months remaining in his year-long tenure, so he will still be in office to see the beginning effects of the law, if it passes.

The big issue for the commission is the safety on the roads versus the rights of people to use their cellular devices while driving. Strawn said the potential ban is likely to only affect those who text or talk on their

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SGA

## Bramlage contract gets initial approval

By Danny Davis  
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

A bill providing for the continued Student Governing Association funding of Bramlage Coliseum passed the initial stage of the legislation process last night. It was first brought to the Student Senate at Thursday's senate meeting. The bill is a review of the current contract that SGA holds with Bramlage.

The contract lasts three years, providing a total of \$45,000 to Bramlage to use for building repairs and maintenance. Students pay \$683 per year in privilege fees that a committee distributes to groups and organizations.

Amanda Tross, documentation technical writer, and Steve Broccolo, emergency management coordinator, both presented at the meeting about the K-State emergency alert system. The system sends subscribed users alerts about emergencies, such as tornadoes and escaped convicts.

New units have been purchased with money from the city and the university. Currently, they are primarily installed only within Eisenhower Hall.

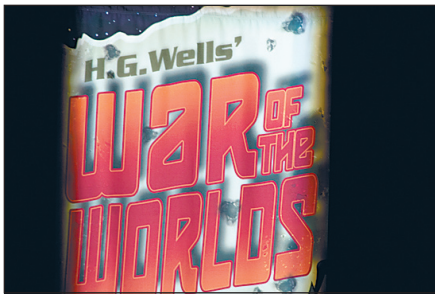
"Eisenhower is kind of the model," Broccolo said. "We hope for Seaton to be next."

The units, dubbed "alertists," are square boxes with an light-emitting diode (LED) screens on the front and strobes on the sides. They are controlled through the dispatch office. The LED screen is capable of displaying the same text message alert that will be sent out to K-State Alert subscribers.

Questions arose regarding enrollment with the alert system. Right now, people must manually subscribe by entering their phone number through the Web site.

"We don't take phone numbers

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## L.A. Theatre Works brings classic shows to McCain

By Pauline Kennedy  
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Laughter and suspense swept across the audience seated in McCain Auditorium as L.A. Theatre Works recreated two of history's greatest science-fiction works Thursday night.

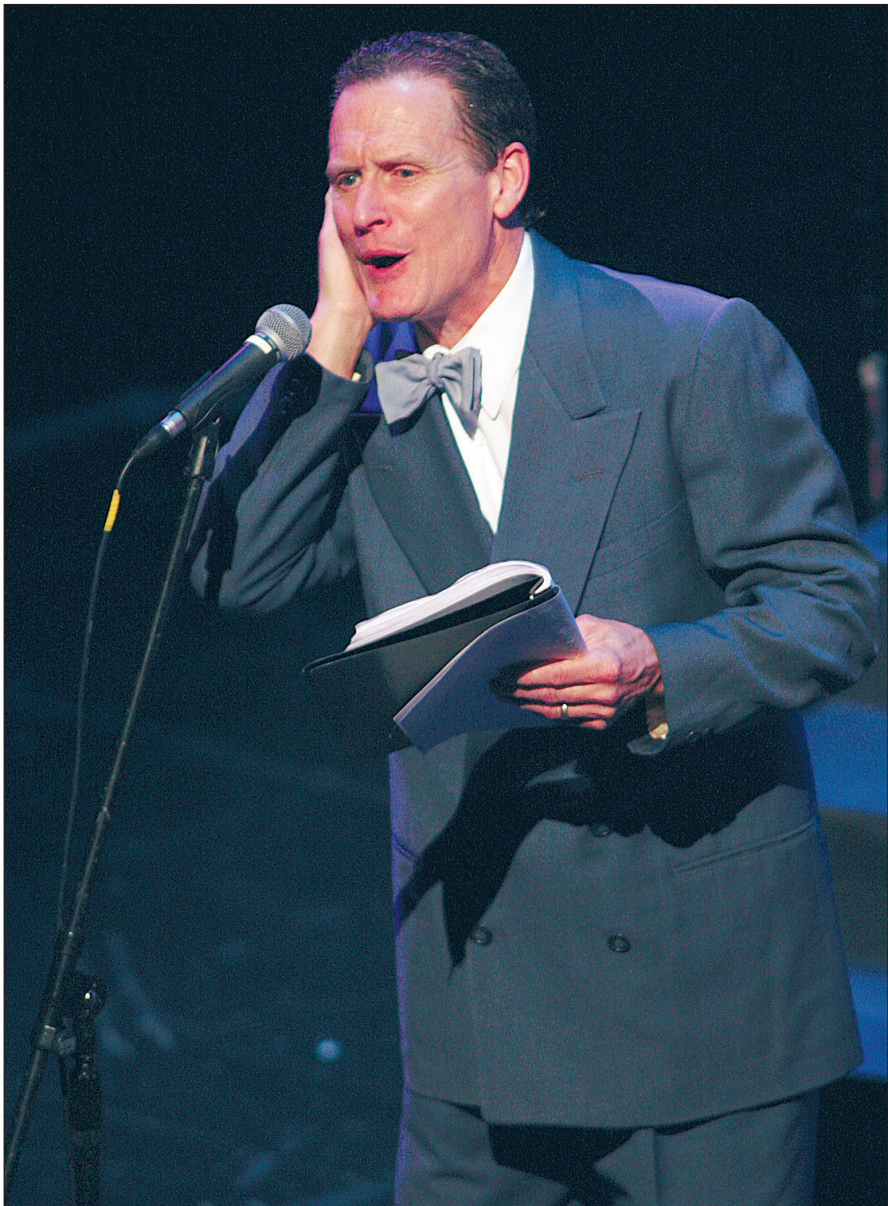
The event was the third production in this year's McCain Performance Series, and the L.A. based radio theater group brought in some top-notch actors for the sci-fi filled night. The cast included performers from such television shows as "E.R.," "Star Trek Voyager" and "Third Rock from the Sun."

The double-bill production was made up of H.G. Wells' "The War of the Worlds," and Conan Doyle's "The Lost World."

The group served up a mix of traditional theater and radio-theater. Each person made their own sound effects and played several characters. The show was performed as a radio broadcast, but had a dose of everyday theater thrown in.

There was also a McCain conversation before the show that was hosted by Ralph Titus, a former K-state professor and a creator of the National Public Radio show "All Things Considered." Titus gave a brief history of the radio drama era and talked about the impact that the broadcast of "The War of the Worlds" had on the radio industry.

"The War of the Worlds," best known for causing a nationwide panic when it was broadcast over evening radio in the late 1930s, opened the show and set an eerie mood. Actor Josh Clarke, playing the infamous voice of Orson Welles, spoke just above a whisper, forcing the audience members to the edge of their seats.



Nathaniel LaRue | COLLEGIAN  
Peter McDonald performs in War of the Worlds Thursday evening with the traveling production of War of the Worlds and The Lost World from L.A. Theatre Works.

The cast of seven people performed the original radio script, moving around stage to different microphones, and using tin cans to recreate the sound of an old radio broadcast.

Following "The War of the Worlds," the cast returned to the stage for their second feature of the night.

The adventure through the pre-historic Amazon in "The Lost World" set an entirely different mood. While "The War of the Worlds" was a suspenseful drama, "The Lost World" was pure comedy with a touch of romance, and it used audience interaction often.

The actors all agreed that the production would not be the same without both shows. Cast member Peter McDonald said that doing only one show would be "like having dessert without dinner first."

The audience had mixed feelings about the show.

"The show was not what I expected," said Brian Sixbury, freshman in mathematics.

While some audience members said they had trouble getting into the show, others said they loved the concept.

"I was really intrigued," said Amanda Fish, graduate student in architectural engineering. "They made you feel like you were a part of the show."

This was the first time McCain Auditorium booked the radio-theater group. Todd Holmberg, executive director of McCain, said he felt the performance was engaging for audience members.

"It's good to expose our audience to this kind of genre," Holmberg said.

After the show, the cast held a question and answer session, which allowed audience members some one on one time with the actors.

## Eric Church rocks sold-out Wareham Thursday

By Frank Male  
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

The lights flickered on and the crowd let out a collective gasp, then a scream. No one came on stage ... false alarm. The next time the lights came on, the crowd was still ready and gave the band a rousing ovation. Eric Church, country music artist, had come to Manhattan for the first time.

Church played Thursday night for a sellout crowd at the Wareham Opera House.

Church's performance was energetic in spite of a broken foot he sustained Sept. 4, which forced him to hop around on stage and often sing from a chair.

"It's a lot of energy," said Ashley Shaheen, Blue Valley, Kan., wearing a brace for her own foot that she broke playing basketball. When asked if she could perform like that on stage, she said, "Not like him."

The concert marked the beginning of his second month of the "Young & Wild(er) Tour" named after a song from his most recent album, "Carolina."

A signature move for Church is to stomp his feet while onstage, and in September he



Matt Castro | COLLEGIAN  
The Wareham Theater, host of the concert, catered to a packed house Thursday evening; the show was sold out.

stomped them hard enough to end with a fracture. In spite of this, Church has continued the tour without missing a single show.

Church told the crowd, "People keep asking me how I broke my foot ... I tell them I broke it kicking a Jayhawk in the ass." He tweaked the lyrics for several songs to salute K-State, like during his song "How 'Bout

You," when he sang "Give me a crowd that's redneck and K-State proud."

For "These Boots," dozens of boots could be seen waving in the air, and the crowd sang through the first verse of "Guys Like Me" before Church could even get a word in. The band kept energy going even when Church had to hobble around, interspersing country songs and

hard rock interludes to keep the concert at a high tempo.

After the regular set, Church and his band retired backstage while the instrumental portion of his song "Smoke A Little Smoke" played on the loudspeakers. He then returned for an encore, seamlessly moving from the recording to a live performance of the song. For the last few songs, Church bantered a little with the crowd, laughing several times at the responses.

"I like how he interacted with the crowd," said Aaron Burk, Fort Riley.

Kathouse Lounge considers this a stepping stone on the way to more concerts at the Wareham. They have recently brought in Doug Benson, comedian from "Super High Me," for a comedy routine and have been working with booking agencies in hopes of bringing in a blues act. While they do not have any acts booked for the Wareham right now, they are actively looking, said part-owner Shannon Collins.

"I think it's about time somebody [brought Church in]," said Todd Young, 2005 K-State graduate. "We're big enough to bring in big acts, and Lawrence does, so why shouldn't we?"



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Yesterday's Cryptquip: IF A TYKE WHO'S A FUTURE PLUMBER IS LEARNING TO RIDE A BIKE, MAYBE HE'LL PUT ON DRAINING WHEELS.

Today's Cryptquip Clue: C equals U

STREET TALK

Q: How do you tailgate?



“ I just get together with friends and we go out and barbecue or have hamburgers and grill out, and we have a football we sometimes throw around. ”

Eric Looft  
Sophomore, secondary education



“ The usual, just hanging out with bros, grilling it up. Just sitting out chilling, and getting ready to watch those Wildcat's get a win! ”

Brett Keller  
Sophomore, pre-optometry and life sciences



“ We just eat, hang out, and have fun and just talk. ”

Sarah Marten  
Sophomore, agricultural education



“ I haven't tailgated lately, but when I do I like to play washers. ”

Kelsey Mills  
Sophomore, elementary education

THE PLANNER  
CAMPUS BULLETIN BOARD

The Graduate School announces the final oral defense of the doctoral dissertation of Elliot Stevens at 9:30 a.m. today in Mosier Hall N202. The thesis topic is "The Persistently Infected Bovine Viral Diarrhea Virus Individual: Prevalence, Viral Survival and Impact Within Commercial Feeding Systems."

The K-State subunit of the American Fisheries Society is sponsoring its Annual Flathead Catfish sampling at the Tuttle Creek River Pond today. All are welcome to attend and free food and drink will be provided. For more information contact Michael Proffer at [michaelp@ksu.edu](mailto:michaelp@ksu.edu) or visit [ksu.edu/ksuafs](http://ksu.edu/ksuafs).

The K-State Challenge Course is offering a High Ropes Challenge opportunity from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday. Experience for yourself the thrill of the power pole, heebee jeebie, flying squirrel and giant swing. Sign up in the administrative office at Peters Recreation Complex by 1 p.m. today. This event is for K-State students, faculty and staff and the general public. For more information and fees, go online to [recservices.k-state.edu](http://recservices.k-state.edu) or call 785-532-6980.

K-State Military Veterans has a meeting at 5 p.m. Tuesday in Forum Hall in the K-State Student Union. The meeting will focus on the transition from the Montgomery GI Bill to the Post 9/11 GI Bill.

The Trauma Recovery Group offered by the Women's Center and Counseling Services is at 5 p.m. Tuesday in Room 232 of the English/Counseling Services Building. For more information or to become registered for the group, contact Counseling Services at 532-6927 or the Women's Center at 532-6444.

The K-State subunit of the American Fisheries Society will be having its monthly meeting at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday in Ackert Hall 324. All are welcome to attend. For more information contact Michael Proffer at [michaelp@ksu.edu](mailto:michaelp@ksu.edu) or visit [ksu.edu/ksuafs](http://ksu.edu/ksuafs).

The K-State Blood Drive will take place Oct. 6-9. The drive will take place from 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Oct. 6-8 and from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. on Oct. 9 in the K-State Student Union. People can also come to Putnam Hall from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Oct. 6-8. Everyone who comes to donate will receive a K-State blood donor T-shirt.

Intramural entries will be accepted through Thursday for intramural wrestling and student golf in the administrative office at Peters Recreation Complex. The wrestling meet is scheduled for Oct. 12-15, and student golf is scheduled to take place at Staggy Hill Golf Course. Tee times will be issued when you sign up in the administrative office. To download entry forms and obtain more information, visit [recservices.k-state.edu/intramurals/intramuralsactivitiesevents.htm](http://recservices.k-state.edu/intramurals/intramuralsactivitiesevents.htm).

Rec Services will sponsor Extreme Fitness, a free workshop at Peters Recreation Complex, from 3 to 4:30 p.m. on Oct. 10. The workshop is for individuals looking for a full-body workout challenge and is limited to 24 participants. The session is not for beginners, but for those capable of doing high-intensity movements. Sign up in the administrative office or call 785-532-6980.

The Graduate School announces the final oral defense of the doctoral dissertation of Judy Dreeszen at 12:30 p.m. on Oct. 14 in Bluemont Hall 257. The thesis topic is "The Impact of Differentiation on the Critical Thinking of Gifted Readers and the Evolving Perspective of the Fifth Grade Classroom Teacher."

The Graduate School announces the final oral defense of the doctoral dissertation of Yan Ling at 2:30 p.m. on Oct. 14 in Bluemont Hall 113. The thesis topic is "Inference for the Intrinsic Separation Among Distributions Which May Differ in Location and Scale."

The Graduate School announces the final oral defense of the doctoral dissertation of Victoria Seeger at 12:30 p.m. on Oct. 15 in Bluemont Hall 257. The thesis topic is "The Initial Impact of No Child Left Behind with a Focus on Time for Elementary Science and Equity in Science, Math and Reading."

The Graduate School announces the final oral defense of the doctoral dissertation of George W. Griffith at 1:30 p.m. on Oct. 16 in Bluemont Hall 368. The thesis topic is "The Initial Impact of No Child Left Behind with a Focus on Time for Elementary Science and Equity in Science, Math and Reading."

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DAILY BLOTTER



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QUESTION OF THE DAY

Geocaching is?

- A) A unique hobby B) Geeky C) The biggest hippie craze since slack lining

Thursday's results: Do you think the FDA should be allowed to ban flavored tobacco?

- A) Yes: 39 % B) No: 61 %

Check out Page 8 to learn about a technological scavenger hunt using GPS.

To submit your answer, visit [kstatecollegian.com](http://kstatecollegian.com). Results for the question of the day will be posted in the following issue of the Collegian.

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CRIME

Asphalt scam reported

By Tyler Sharp  
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

A report of a potential scam was filed with the Riley County Police Department on Wednesday.

The victim reported to Riley County Attorney Barry Wilkerson that the scam included a misrepresentation by a company to lay extra asphalt from a project at a reduced rate, according to an RCPD media release.

After laying the asphalt, the company demanded a higher payment than originally requested. RCPD has identified one other victim in the community and encourages anyone with similar experiences to contact them at 785-537-2112.

Two men were arrested on charges of deceptive commercial practice, according to another RCPD report.

Henry Buckland Jr., 52, of White Hall, Ark., and Mark Buckland, 47, of Alvarado, Texas, are being held on \$10,000 bond each. Both men were associated with a business known as HB Asphalt or Quality Paving, Crosby said.

WINDOW PEEPER REPORTED

There was a report of a window peeper in the 1300 block of Sundance Drive Wednesday, said Lt. Herbert Crosby Jr. of the RCPD.

Police made contact with a potential suspect in the area. No charges are being processed at this time. A report has been filed with the county prosecutor to see if there are grounds to charge the individual, Crosby said.

Pumkin fair at CiCo Park this weekend

By Jason Miller  
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

The annual Pumpkin Patch Arts and Crafts Fair is scheduled to celebrate its 36th year on Friday and Saturday at the Riley County Fair Grounds, CiCo Park.

The fair plans to feature more than 150 vendors from six different states.

“We’ll have a lot; clothing, jewelry, kids’ tents, wood carving; anything you’re looking for, we’ll have it there,” said Liz Hudec, co-chair of the event.

Everything at the arts and crafts festival is either handmade or homegrown, Hudec said.

The event is sponsored by the Mercy Regional Health Center Auxiliary and all proceeds will go to the auxiliary.

The hours for the fair are Friday from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The fair is scheduled to open at 9 a.m. each day for senior citizens and persons with disabilities. Admission is free of charge.

Pumpkin fever

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- Price: organic pie pumpkins for \$1.29 per pound
- Available: throughout the fall, possibly winter

Hy-Vee

- Location: 601 3rd Place
- Origin of pumpkins: warehouse in Chariton, Iowa
- Price: Price will be set Oct. 5, when pumpkins arrive.
- Available: through Halloween

Ray’s Apple Market

- Location: 3011 Anderson Ave.
- Origin of pumpkins: warehouse in Kansas City
- Price: \$4.99 for large, 69 cents for mini pumpkins and 79 cents per pound for pie pumpkins
- Available: until Halloween

Eastside/Westside Market

- Location: 219 E. Poyntz Ave. or 521 Richards Drive
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# Free speech, anyone?

## Campus speech codes violate 1st Amendment

“As Americans we must always remember that we all have a common enemy, an enemy that is dangerous, powerful and relentless. I refer, of course, to the federal government,” Dave Barry once wrote.

This little quote – by a humor columnist, no less – placed on a door can get you censored if you go to Marquette University. Back in 2006, this happened to a graduate student named Stuart Ditsler.

Ditsler’s department chair removed the Dave Barry quote from a door, calling it “patently offensive.” The department chair went so far as to write, “I’m afraid that hallways and office doors are not ‘free-speech zones.’”

The “free-speech zone” comment is what catches my attention. The Constitution of the U.S. clearly states “Congress shall make no law ... abridging the freedom of speech.”

What gives university administrators the right to abridge the freedom of speech? Our academic institutions are supposed to be paragons of free speech, of discourse. How did this basic principle collapse? Somewhere in the last 20 years, universities decided there was a right not to be offended. The feeling was that it would make academic discourse more civil and avoid “hostile” situations. What it did was a clear violation of the First Amendment.

K-State has its own “free-speech zone,” it turns out – Bosco Student Plaza. Even there, megaphones during the day are only allowed for one hour. Free speech isn’t something to shout out loud, I guess.

*TheFire.org*, a Web site that did its best to publicize the Marquette affair and recently posted a *YouTube.com* video interview of Dave Barry, gives universities a rat-



FRANK MALE



Illustration by Erin Logan

ing on their free speech.

Guess what rating K-State got?

If you chose red, then you are completely correct.

Even our little hometown university is “clearly and substantially restricting freedom of speech,” according to the Web site. The university requires organizations planning “controversial” events to hire campus police officers on their own dime and bans “profane or vulgar language in a threatening or disruptive manner” and “rude or challenging behavior.”

When it comes to political speech, K-State does reasonably well. There is another point in the regulations saying the Board of Regents is “committed to protection of free speech,” but it goes on to say that they are “equally committed to the task of maintaining peace and safety.”

I read that and wondered, “Does speech kill?” Can peace and safety be broken by mere words? If so, then why did speech codes only become popular for universities in the 1980s, long after the advent of speech?

Then there’s the harassment policy for the campus. Gender harassment includes “insulting remarks, offensive graffiti, whistling at someone, cat calls, obscene jokes or humor about sex or women in general.” Really?

It gets better. “Hostile environment sexual harassment” includes “sex-related comments and gestures.” If you’ll forgive me,

I’ll quote that list in full.

“Comments or gestures with sexual content or sexual implications: Examples include sexual teasing, jokes, remarks or questions, personal questions about sexual life, kissing sounds, howling and smacking lips, simulating sexual acts, facial expressions, winking, throwing kisses or licking lips, spreading rumors or telling lies about a person’s personal sex life or performance, touching oneself sexually or talking about one’s sexual activity in front of others, turning discussions to sexual topics, asking about sexual fantasies, preferences or history, making sexual gestures with hands or through body movements, staring, looking at a person up and down (elevator eyes).”

So, are guys even allowed to look at girls? I’m confused.

No one at K-State has had their Dave Barry quotes removed and Beth Mendenhall gets to offend the College of Agriculture once a week unfettered, but that hardly means that free speech is a guarantee on college campuses. In fact, considering the gender harassment rules, it is a bit of a wonder that the Collegian still has an Edge page allowed to “turn discussions to sexual topics.”

College campuses just aren’t the strongholds of free speech they once were.

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# If you want a better K-State, do something

I commend Ben Wileman and Kevin Anderson for taking the time to respond to Beth Mendenhall’s article. I’m pleased someone did something instead of just complaining on *Facebook.com* about it.

Far too often people moan and complain about something and do nothing to fix the problem. Don’t like the way things are run in the Collegian? Or in the government? Then do something about it or shut up.

That’s why I didn’t stop at complaining about how the college spends our money; I sat down and brainstormed a few ideas that I think could help K-State. Here’s what I came up with:

1.) Replace all light bulbs on campus with energy-efficient ones. They pay for themselves in the long run. Sell the old ones at a discounted price to another institution that uses a large number of light bulbs, like another

school. That’ll save the other school some money and help K-State recoup some. I have been using energy-efficient bulbs for years and nobody has noticed unless they happened to see the bare bulb. Light fixtures can be used to change the color.

2.) Ask the Division of Facilities for advice on what projects need to be done and take their advice seriously. They hold this place together; therefore, they know more about what the university needs than others. Have them compile a list of things that badly need repair and separate it into categories based on price tag and priority: serious and expensive problems, serious but cheaper problems, expensive minor problems, cheaper minor problems and miscellaneous. Prioritize based on that list.

3.) Construction has been done by students before and should be done again. We have a legion of students who could help. Make the architecture, construction science and other similar majors build and fix things around campus. Landscaping students could mow grass, trim tree limbs and drain areas with standing water.

Make it worth their while by offering extra credit for their classes. This will save money, give students experience and give the Division of Facilities the time to work on other projects.

4.) Any project is bound to have leftovers. Rather than throw them away, they should be recycled. Ask around and find someone who can come up with a reasonable, cost-effective plan. For example, use the old carpet from Hale Library to build kitty condos and scratching posts, then sell them in local pet stores and online. Recycled products whose profits go toward supporting a school are a guaranteed seller, especially if the price is reasonable. Money could be made on this project, especially if free wood from pallets at the Manhattan Mercury is used and students volunteer to build them (more extra credit points).

5.) If you speak with people who want to donate money to K-State, ask them nicely to donate it to something that we actually need, like repairing Seaton Hall. (Refer to the priorities list from No. 2, above.) If they hesitate, give them incentives like a

plaque on the building they saved, a glowing press release from the media relations office proclaiming them to be “hometown heroes” or put them in a convertible and drive them around Snyder Family Stadium during halftime so they can wave to the crowd while the “before” and “after” pictures of the repairs they funded are displayed on the Jumbotron. People love to feel useful. If you make them feel like a million bucks, they will give it to you.

6.) Here’s another fun project that will save the university gas money and make tree-hugger smile: Convert some university vehicles to run on recycled grease. The Derby Dining Center alone could probably fuel every car on campus.

I truly believe some of my ideas would help K-State, but I’m sure there are people with better ideas than mine. I encourage you to speak up. If we do nothing, things won’t change, but if we do something, things might just get better. Wouldn’t that be nice?

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### THE FOURUM

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I ate chicken, Beth Mendenhall, and it is am-a-zing!

You’re not a high school cheerleader anymore; please stop wearing ribbons in your hair.

Beth Peopledenhall: Make me a sandwich.

Is Beth Mendenhall ... I don’t even know her name ... is she even real? She probably isn’t, because I can’t even say her name, and I’m a pretty smart person. So, to whoever you think you are, Beth: You aren’t even real.

My roommate secretly wears a KU shirt under her K-State shirt to football games. Can I request a transfer of roommates?

I realized my self-esteem directly correlates to the number of cat-calls I get each week walking to school.

Aaron Weiser is the truth.

I like pine cones.

Does Beth Mendenhall eat? First milk, now eggs. WTF?

So, I really hate boat shoes. You people aren’t on a boat.

I will buy that Egg McMuffin and I will like it.

It’s laundry day.

Yeah, so to the Chrysler 300 in the parking lot in front of Haymaker: You need to learn how to park. Thank you.

Every time the preview for “Where the Wild Things Are” comes on, I must stop whatever I am doing and dance.

I’m going to wear a pink tux to the prom.

To whoever said ten points to hit a moving biker: I am sincerely sorry to that biker.

There’s an echo in my living room. It is going to go away tomorrow. I’m going to miss it.

Chewbacca. Darth Vader. Luke Skywalker. Princess Leia. Han Solo.

Is it bad that the voices in my head are no longer my own, but in fact Dr. Tracz’s?

West Hall has no need to fear evildoers. Zorro is on the job.

Is it bad when you need a DD to get to school in the morning?

Today’s question: What on campus needs the most repair? And nobody mentioned me.

Hey Fourum, what made you decide to exist?

Today is a war of ages day. If you don’t know what that means, listen to the rock and look for the roll.

Ah, chicken omelets: two generations on one plate.

I’m kind of angry. I want to throw my phone against the wall and punch someone in the face.

This is a public service announcement: No one should consume anything by Beth Mendenhall. They hooked her up to the milking machine and all they got was a cup full of lies.

Not everyone on campus hates Beth’s articles.

I went through MCC’s campus

yesterday and the power of Christ did not compel me. So I went to Aggieville last night and drank myself into a stupor. This hangover’s on you, MCC.

What’s KU’s record before cheating, getting caught, losing scholarships and being on NCAA suspension? Yeah, that’s what I thought.

It’s hard to compare records with KU because it’s hard to find a time when they weren’t cheating.

Uhh. Text. Brook. Satellite. Episcopalian.

I just saw squirrels having sex at the Union.

Please ignore the message I just left to my compy and make it this one. To my compy: hehe. Love, your compy.



The Fourum is also available in full online every day.

## Best of Fourum

**Beth Peopledenhall: make me a sandwich.**  
No, you make *me* a sandwich.

**Ninjas for life.**  
Until the pirates run them through.

**I thought the date rape drug at K-State was Natty Lite.**  
Nope. It is the world’s finest beer, and we hope no one ever uses it uses it inappropriately.

**There was an Australian Billy Mays trying to get me to study abroad in my science and math classes. It was a rather weird experience. I miss you, Billy.**  
We all miss you, Billy.

**If you guess a speckled mallard on the water drinking champagne, and you’re right, who cares about the points? You win the game.**  
Finding a question where the answer is “a speckled mallard on the water drinking champagne” requires a genius or a very quirky game. Count the Fourum in.

**Hey, I just want to let you know that there’s currently a betting pool on who will get done first and current predictions are that the leadership hall will get done before the parking garage. If you want to get in on it just let me know.**  
Put “Collegian Fourum” in for a dime on the leadership hall.

**I realized my self-esteem directly correlates to the number of cat-calls I get each week walking to school.**  
But does correlation imply causation? I’m not sure any more.

**So, I really hate boat shoes. You people aren’t on a boat.**  
No, they aren’t.

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# Football flawed, harmful to K-State



PAUL  
HARRIS

Football is a waste of our time.

I know this may come as a shock to some of you, and you will probably hang me up in effigy by noon.

But before you do, let me run through my list of reasons.

First, players risk their lives and livelihoods to play a game. It is not fair to ask young men who will soon be entering reality and having families of their own to hit others. Yet, as fans, we embrace this barbaric notion. We are not above the Romans and the Coliseum. It is amazing that some of you are able to look yourselves in the face on a daily basis after watching such savagery. We, as a society, want to destroy the violence that currently exists, but every weekend for five horrible months, we shell out our hard-earned money to perpetuate this stupid game.

Secondly, for the last three years we have been forced to watch a grown man steal money from right underneath our noses. The amount of money we put in this game is just despicable at times. How can you even watch a grown man high-step down a field? (See K-State's win at Texas in 2007.) The absolute child-like attitude this game emphasizes is disturbing. Life sucks, so why spend four-plus hours escaping it? Reality will catch up with us soon enough, so we might as well embrace it.

Again, what has football actually done for K-State? Football has burdened K-State athletics with its presence. Oh, great. We had a good decade, whoop-de-doo! Never mind the 100 years of futility.

Should we not embrace the number of Rhodes, Udall and Goldwater scholarships we churn out? This is an academic institution and it does not deserve to be dragged through the mud. Why doesn't the debate team or the soil judging team, for that matter, have a media guide? Where are their press conferences held?

This game contains grown men who have never opened up an astronomy book to dream about stars. Rivals and Scout? What about Twain and Hughes?

My final point is this: not only has football brought this university Ron Prince, but along with Prince, it brought us Josh Freeman. Every day he closed down the Derby Dining Center, and people treated him like a modern-day god. They did this despite him never beating Kansas, Missouri or Nebraska.

Lastly, this player had the chance to meet country superstar, Taylor Swift. Freeman's athletic prowess grants him the right to do meet-and-greets with celebrities while students who work twice as hard make meet-and-greets with Ramen noodles. Seems a little unfair and outdated if you ask me.

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# SPORTS

## Team tactics



Lisle Alderton | COLLEGIAN

The Volleyball team comes together to talk with Coach **Suzie Fritz** at game against South Dakota. The Wildcats will take on the No. 2 Texas Longhorns tonight at home. K-State enters the game with a 6-7 record, while Texas comes in undefeated, 10-0.

## Volleyball team to play Texas tonight at 7 in Ahern

By Justin Nutter  
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

When the K-State volleyball team takes the court against the No. 2 Texas Longhorns tonight, the team should be well rested.

The Wildcats (6-7, 0-3 Big 12 Conference) have played just two matches since taking on Baylor on Sept. 19 in Waco, Texas. The Wildcats, who had a bye last Wednesday, were given a day off when their Sept. 23 match against Texas Tech was postponed because of a flu outbreak.

"I think [the time off] works in both ways," said head coach Suzie Fritz. "We haven't had a lot of opportunities to kind of work our way out of this slump a little bit. But at the same time, we've gotten more time [for preparation] than I can ever recall during any season in this time of the year."

K-State enters tonight's showdown in search of its first conference win of the season. The team is off to an 0-3 start in league play for the second time since the Big 12's inception in 1996. Unfortunately for Fritz and the Wildcats, Texas (10-0,

5-0) promises to be one of K-State's toughest opponents this season.

"Physically, they're very gifted in terms of their size, their ability to jump high," Fritz said of the Longhorns. "They have good balance in terms of being good at every position. They have literally no glaring weaknesses."

Texas is the only remaining unbeaten team in the conference and joins No. 1 Penn State as the only two Division I programs in the country with an unblemished record.

The Longhorns have received solid production from all contributors in 2009, but they have been led by senior outside hitter Destinee Hooker, who averages 4.54 kills per set. Fellow outside hitter Juliann Faucette, a junior, has also been a force at the net, averaging 3.46 kills. Sophomore middle blocker Rachael Adams has been arguably the team's strongest all-around contributor, averaging 1.23 blocks per set while maintaining a staggering .473 hitting percentage.

K-State will counter with junior outside hitter JuliAnne Chisholm, who averages 3.15 kills per set, and senior middle block-

er Kelsey Chipman, who owns a .355 hitting percentage in 2009 and an average of 1.11 blocks per set.

The Longhorns have dominated the all-time series against K-State, winning 21 of 28 matches. K-State has not defeated Texas since 2003 when the Wildcats won their first and only Big 12 Championship. Currently, the Wildcats have lost 11 straight matches against the Longhorns and have won just four of 13 match-ups in Manhattan.

Despite the team's woes against Texas, Fritz said playing within the confines of Ahern Field House always gives K-State an upper hand.

"Any time we can play at home, I think it's helpful," she said. "It's just more comfortable. It's where we practice every day. The depths of arenas are different, so the depth perception factor when it comes to serving and passing changes a little bit. Regardless of if it's Texas or anybody, it doesn't really matter. I think it's an advantage to be at home."

Tonight's match marks the last Friday action K-State will see this season. First serve is set for 7 p.m.

## EQUESTRIAN

# Equestrian team to open season today against TCU

Jennifer Keefe, sophomore on the equestrian team, rides her horse **Mozy** in the horsemanship event of the IHSA Western Show last February.



Matt Binter  
COLLEGIAN

By Tyler Scott  
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

The equestrian season starts today, and the Wildcats look to build on last season's success. The team will face Texas Christian University at home at Fox Creek Farms.

The Horned Frogs are filled with a lot of talent and finished second last year at the Varsity Equestrian National Championships.

Head coach Casie Lisabeth said she wants the team to start strong.

"Our goal is to be undefeated at home this season," Lisabeth said.

The team will feature five varsity riders in each of the four events. The events are horsemanship, reining, equitation on the flat and equitation over fences competition.

Lisabeth said each event would be small.

"The competition is head to head, one rider from K-State and another

from TCU," Lisabeth said. "Each rider in the competitions will ride on the same horse."

She said the team has a lot of returning riders from last year, which should help them throughout the season. The team also has many home shows which means the riders will gain experience on the same horses.

The team will also take part in the Junior Varsity Competition featuring another four riders. Freshman Hannah Ribera will compete on the western side in horsemanship, and senior Danielle Petterra will take part in the reining discipline.

Lisabeth said there will be one extra rider in each event.

"There will be what we call an exhibition rider," Lisabeth said. "It's somewhat of a practice ride because their result doesn't affect the overall record."

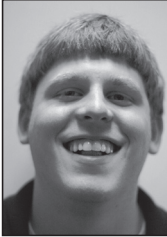
The season will start at 9 a.m. today. Admission is free.

## COLLEGIAN STAFF PICKS

Members of the Collegian staff, University President, Kirk Schulz, and a our readers will pick the winners of six college football games each Friday this fall.



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No. 4 LSU at No. 18 Georgia	LSU	Georgia	Georgia	LSU	LSU	LSU
No. 7 USC at No. 24 California	USC	California	USC	USC	California	USC
No. 8 Oklahoma at No. 17 Miami	Oklahoma	Oklahoma	Oklahoma	Oklahoma	Oklahoma	Oklahoma
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# THE EDGE



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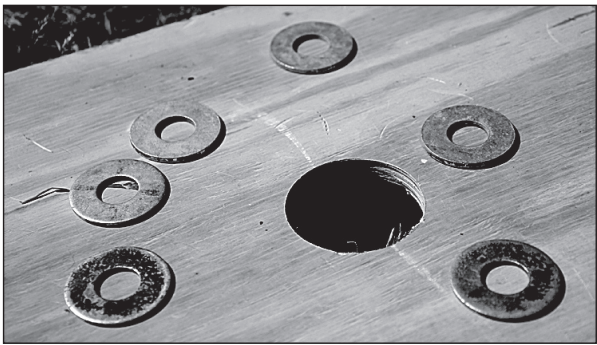
**Curtis Ruder**, graduate in Chemical Engineering, tosses a washer in a tailgating game known as washers in the field north of Snyder Family Stadium before K-State's game against Tennessee Tech last Saturday.

## Kick-off countdown: how to spice up your tailgate

The American pastime of tailgating is a must on college campuses across the nation. Coast to coast, more than 35 million Americans fire up their grills in stadium parking lots, according to an article in the Oakland Tribune.

The parking lot at Snyder Family Stadium would not be the same without all the sights, sounds and smells of tailgating.

The trick to successfully tailgating, the kind that's fun for guests and cooks alike, is doing most of the work ahead of time. So, to make the most out of any game, here are party tips, activities and recipes which offer twists on some classic tailgating essentials.



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Washers rest on top of a slanted board with a hole cut out of the middle of it. The object of the game is to make your washers into the hole and keep your opponent's out.

If you're making a day out of a tailgating experience, you're going to need something to do between firing up the grill and the start of the game. Try some of these tailgating activities as you pass the time.

### Play football

Playing a quick game of tag football is almost a requirement when tailgating. It doesn't have to be a long or formal game with teams and scores, though. Simply tossing the ball with friends and running after a long pass is enough to get into the groove of the day.

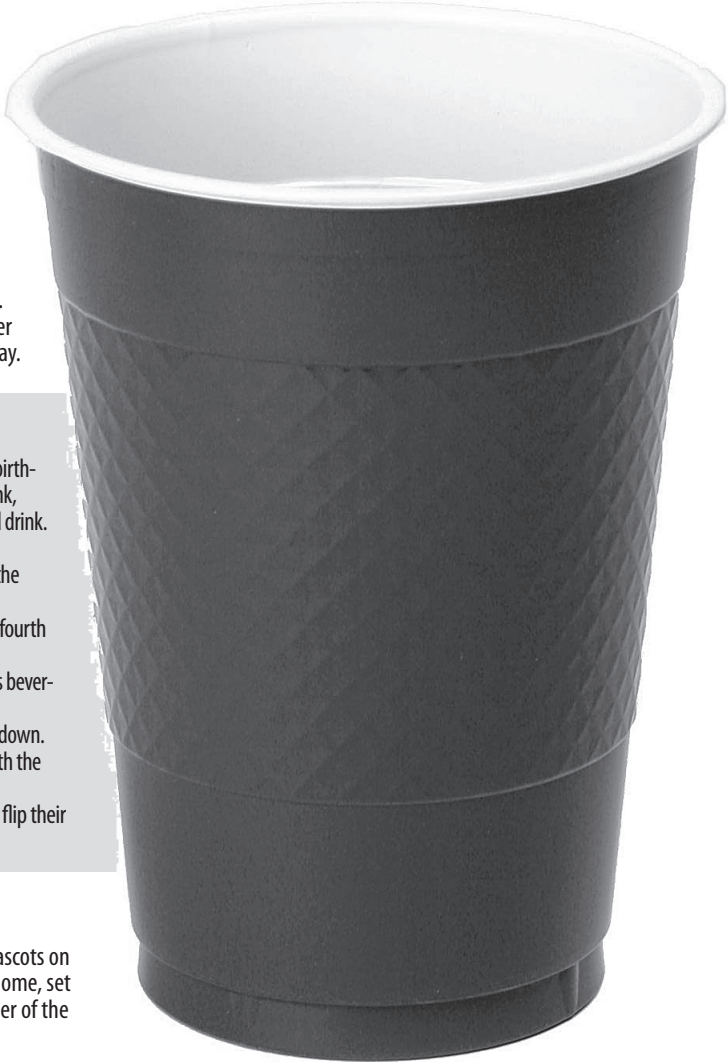
### Flip cups

You will need a table, cups, your favorite beer and a birthday before Oct. 2, 1988. If tailgaters are not of age to drink, they can still participate by substituting any favorite cold drink.

Divide into two teams. Each team stands on one side of the table and faces the other. Place a cup in front of each player and fill the cups one-fourth to one-third full. To start the game, the first player of each team drinks his beverage and places the cup facing up on the table. The player must try to flip the cup so that it lands facing down. After the cup lands facing down, the game continues with the next player who repeats the process - drink and flip. The first team with all players to successfully drink and flip their cups wins the game.

### Paint faces

Show your school spirit by painting logos and mascots on faces (or shirtless guys). Bring nontoxic paint from home, set up a couple of chairs and let the most artistic member of the tailgating group get to work.



## TAILGATING RECIPES

### Chocolate Caramel Crispy Rice Squares



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Any tailgate party would not be complete without a scrumptious dessert. This crispy treat is a perfect end to any K-State victory:

#### Ingredients:

- \* 1 tablespoon butter
- \* 14 ounces vanilla caramel squares
- \* 1/4 cup milk
- \* 4 cups crispy rice cereal
- \* 1 cup mini chocolate chips

#### Steps:

\* Heavily grease an 8-inch square pan with the butter. Combine the caramels and milk in a large saucepan and cook over medium low heat until the caramels are melted and the mixture is smooth.  
\* Remove from the heat and add the cereal and toss well to coat.  
\* Press the mixture into the prepared pan and sprinkle the chocolate chips over the top. Let set for at least an hour or until firm enough to cut. Cut into 2-inch squares and wrap individually.

Makes nine squares

[perfectentertaining.com](#)

### Fajita Burgers

Change a boring grilled hamburger into a mouthful of fabulousness by mixing it up with this simple trick. A packet of dry seasoning can add a bunch of flavor to any burger:

#### Ingredients:

- \* 1 packet fajitas seasoning
- \* 1/4 cup melted butter
- \* 1 lb. ground beef
- \* 1 brown onion
- \* 2 green peppers
- \* 1 tablespoon olive oil
- \* 4 hamburger buns



#### Steps:

- \* Combine fajita seasoning and butter. Add ground beef into a bowl and mix in fajita butter until evenly coated. Form four patties and place in an airtight container for transport to the tailgate site.
- \* Prepare onions and peppers at home: Slice onion and peppers into strips and discard pepper seeds. Saute in one tablespoon of olive oil, stirring occasionally, until tender and browned. Cool and place in a foil pouch. Reheat by placing pouch on the grill at the tailgating site.
- \* Grill burgers on a lightly oiled rack over medium-high heat, five minutes on each side for medium burgers. Top with reheated onions and peppers and serve on a bun.

Makes four servings

[celebrations.com](#)

### Stuffed Marinated Cherry Peppers

To start off tailgating, a regular tailgater might set out a bowl of chips and call it good, but why not add some pizzazz to your tailgate party? Spice up snacking habits with this hot appetizer:

#### Ingredients:

- \* 1/2 cup olive oil
- \* 1/2 cup white wine vinegar
- \* 2 cloves garlic, minced
- \* 1/2 teaspoon each salt and pepper
- \* 16 fresh cherry peppers
- \* 8 oz. prosciutto, thinly sliced
- \* 8 oz. pepper jack cheese, cut into cubes that will fit inside your peppers

#### Steps:

\* Whisk together oil, vinegar, garlic, salt and pepper until combined.  
\* Cut off tops of cherry peppers and remove the seeds, being careful not to tear the pepper.  
\* Wrap each cheese cube with a slice of prosciutto and stuff it inside a pepper. If the pepper isn't packed, stuff a bit more prosciutto inside, still being careful not to rip the pepper.  
\* Place stuffed peppers into a large, clean screw-top jar or plastic container with an airtight lid. (You may need more than one jar for all peppers to fit.) Pour oil and vinegar mixture over peppers and place lid on container. Gently shake jar to



coat pepper. Refrigerate for at least one day, shaking jar occasionally.  
\* Before serving, bring peppers to room temperature. Keep in jar for transport to the tailgating site and for serving or pour into a bowl and place on the food table.

Makes 16 cherry peppers

[celebrations.com](#)

Compiled by Hannah Loftus and Carlos Salazar



Students to wed in feminist ceremony

By Tiara Williams  
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

The bride taking the groom's last name is a traditional part of marriage. However, for one couple, finding a hybrid last name to share reflects equality among the two people.

Jordan Hanson and Zahra Nasrazadani plan to find a new last name for them both to share, reflecting their progressive-minded feminist viewpoints.

HOW THEY MET

Hanson, senior in English, attended the Emporia State Debate tournament in October 2006, his freshman year of college. He gave a speech on accurate grammatical interpretation of a phrase. Nasrazadani, graduate student in pharmacy at the University of Kansas, then in her second year of college with four years of debate under her belt, was invited to watch his debate round.

"If you haven't caught on yet, we are both incredibly nerdy," Nasrazadani said. "I get a sick pleasure out of the finer points of grammar and technicalities — which can often help win a debate round — so I excitedly volunteered to sit in on the round for fun. Afterward, I commented to a mutual friend that I just wanted to pinch Jordan's cheeks — I found his dimples entirely too cute and I've always been a sucker for blue eyes."

Hanson said he felt slightly awkward while arguing and thought he made himself look "dumb." Hanson's debate partner introduced the two, who flirted the rest of the night at the tournament's after-party.

The debate tournament marked the beginning. The



COURTESY PHOTO  
**Zahra Nasrazadani** (left) and **Jordan Hanson** are choosing to break the norms on marriage traditions in their wedding.

two love birds texted constantly, so much that Nasrazadani had to move up to an unlimited texting plan for her cell phone. Following a number of exclusive but casual dates, including a trip to the Spencer Art Museum, Nasrazadani asked Hanson to be her boyfriend in November, 2006.

THE ENGAGEMENT

Two years of dating passed, and Hanson and Nasrazadani planned to get engaged at the end of the year. Because the relationship had already made it through Hanson attending K-State while Nasrazadani went to the University of Kansas, they knew they could handle a higher level of commitment.

Both are feminists and are interested in social justice and politics. Their values are very similar and they both describe themselves as nerdy. Nasrazadani and Hanson do not

necessarily believe they found "the one," but cannot picture themselves with anyone else.

Hanson said he loves Nasrazadani's intelligence. While she said adores his belief in their partnership. Their entire relationship is founded on mutual respect and honesty.

"We knew that we didn't want a pop-the-question moment; public proposals always make me cringe with vicarious embarrassment and proposals that are total surprises just don't make sense," she said. "Proposals shouldn't be surprises if you're an active participant in a healthy relationship — that level of commitment shouldn't be a 'gotcha' moment. So, there was no bended knee, no velvet box and asking my father for permission."

On Dec. 4, 2008, Hanson and Nasrazadani chatted through their webcams from their respective

Manhattan and Lawrence homes. Nasrazadani hid out of the camera's view and wrote "Marry Me?" on an envelope along with a doodle of the engagement ring meant for his left ring finger. She held it up for him to see, and Hanson responded with a "yes!"

"It was a very cute paper sign," Hanson said.

Hanson's engagement ring is a plain white-gold band. Nasrazadani's is a one-karat lab-created solitaire gemstone called moissanite. The two chose their own rings.

During winter break, the couple informed both sets of parents of the engagement. The couple said they told their parents because they wanted to share their bliss with their families, not to ask permission or to receive a blessing. Both Hanson's and Nasrazadani's parents supported the couple and saw the engagement coming, just not particularly that soon.

THE WEDDING

Hanson and Nasrazadani plan to find a common hybrid last name to take after the wedding. They will also write their whole ceremony, start to finish, and leave out the phrase "man and wife" to symbolize the equality in their relationship. Both sets of parents will walk the couple down the aisle. The ceremony will be one without thousands of dollars and stereotypes thrown into it.

The couple plans to wed in May of 2011. Nasrazadani will be done with pharmacy classes, and Hanson will have graduated. For now, the couple will continue to love each other and find out exactly what getting married means to them.

WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lechner – Kohman

Lee Lechner, senior in pre-nursing, and Jordan Kohman, senior in ag education, announce their wedding.

The couple was wed on May 22, 2009 at Grace Baptist Church in Manhattan, Kan.

Marriage in Riley Co. simple, easy process

By Elena Buckner  
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

At the word "wedding," many people are instantly reminded of a big white gown and a long aisle. But what is more important than all the specifics of a wedding day is that the bride and groom become legally married.

Lynda K. Wickstrum, clerk of the District Court in Riley County, described the process of applying for a marriage license in Riley County as fairly simple.

Wickstrum said first, one member of the couple must apply for the marriage license at the courthouse, which is located at the corner of Fifth Street and Humboldt. At that time, the prospective bride or groom needs to have the full names (first, middle and last) of both members of the couple as well as social security numbers, birth dates and the cities and states in which each person currently resides.

The application is then on file for the next three days. The couple has one year from the date of application to complete a worksheet they receive at the time of application and turn it back in. They must, however, wait at least three days before returning to the courthouse to turn in the worksheet and pick up the marriage license. That worksheet contains more detailed information about the bride, groom and both

their parents. When the couple turns in the worksheet, they must pay a \$69 fee in order to pick up the license.

After receiving the marriage license, the couple has six months to finalize the license by having a marriage ceremony performed by a judge, clergy member or anyone else approved by the courts to preside at weddings. The presider then fills out information about the time and location of the ceremony and mails the license back to the courthouse.

The finalized license stays in Manhattan for 30 days, Wickstrum said, at which point they send it to the Vital Statistics Office in Topeka.

The license stays on file "forever," Wickstrum said, and is available for the couple whenever they need a copy of it.

Debra Russell, deputy clerk at the District Court in Riley County, said couples often need copies of their marriage licenses if members decide to change their last names, but it can be necessary in other instances too. For the first 30 days after the wedding, the couple can go to the courthouse to request a certified copy of the license. During this time period, it only costs \$1.25 per copy.

After the first 30 days, however, the only place to obtain a copy of the marriage license is through the Vital Statistics Office.

Giving your wedding a personal touch

By Melissa Short  
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

The scene in "Father of the Bride" when Annie pulls up the hem of her dress to show her father the wedding sneakers he gave to her, complete with lace, shows us something about brides — they like to add that personal touch, the little things that makes a wedding their own.

Each year, weddings get more and more unconventional as couples deviate from tradition and make their special days a little more fun.

Scott Waters, wedding and event planner for Waters Party and Wedding, said he has seen themes ranging from an ocean to moss. He has also seen trends of wedding colors straying from traditional black and white to a mix of several bold colors.

"One bride even wore a dress in her wedding colors and had the bridesmaids wear white," Waters said.

Designers are catering to this trend of non-tradition with gowns in a variety of colors and fabrics. There are "green" dresses made of recycled plastic bags and beautiful gowns made completely of toilet paper. One Ukrainian bride even wore a pastry puff dress designed by her pastry chef fiancé.

But with an unconven-



COURTESY PHOTO  
Kate Gibson, senior in family and consumer sciences, added a piece on non-traditional flair to her wedding by hiding her favorite childhood toy, a miniature Lamp Chop doll, in the bust of her dress.

tional gown must come unconventional accessories — bridal sneakers, sandals and other quirky details are popping up all over the place.

TOMS shoes just released a line of wedding flats in colors varying from white to glittering gold. Keds has sneakers for the whole bridal party, with patterns from roses to lace, and even personalized messages. Flower girls and ring bearers who want to be comfortable during that long walk down the aisle can even get pairs of children's Keds. Garters come in every color, pattern, print and even sports team

logos to keep brides happy. For those sunny outdoor weddings, bridesmaids can also wear monogrammed sunglasses complete with colored rhinestones.

One YouTube.com video with more than 22 million hits, shows a sunglasses-adorned bridal party dancing down the aisle to Chris Brown's "Forever," culminating in the groom somersaulting to the front of the church.

However, the fun does not stop when the wedding is over.

Denise Gooden, wedding planner at Moments

Imagined in Topeka, once had a client who was a K-State graduate with a degree in psychology. The client had a groom's cake made to look like a psychological phrenology. The phrenology, which is a map of the skull with labeled sections of the brain, had the labels replaced with things like "Guitar Hero" and his wife's name.

Katie Gibson, newlywed and senior in family and consumer sciences education, added her personal touch with a childhood memory. Her mom gave her a miniature version of her favorite childhood stuffed animal, a Lamb Chop doll, which Gibson put in the bust of her dress to be close to her throughout her wedding and reception.

Gibson also started a new family tradition completely by accident.

"We couldn't find the garter at the reception, so my dad took off his bow tie and put it on my leg, and my husband took it off after doing a stripper dance to 'Sexual Healing' by Marvin Gaye," Gibson said. "It was hilarious and definitely a tradition now."

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## Geocaching a rewarding experience

Adventurous, daring and intrepid – these are three words no one would ever use to describe me. They are, however, words that describe a sport gaining popularity around the world: geocaching. Inspired by a new geocaching club at K-State, I thought I would expand my horizons and give it a try.



MELISSA  
SHORT

When I first heard about geocaching, I figured it was an obscure sport that was still on the periphery of the sporting world, but I soon learned I was wrong. The more people I talked to, the more apparent it became that geocaching is already very popular in the U.S. A few of my friends had even been geocaching for several years and I never knew.

After hearing all of their geocaching stories, I was even more excited to get started. I began by logging on to *Geocaching.com* and making a free profile. By becoming a member, I got access to the coordinates of all online geocaches and the encrypted clues that often accompany them. I thought I would start small, so I chose a location right here on campus. The description of the cache I chose said that it was a small container of mixtapes, which also seemed like the perfect choice.

For every item you remove from a cache you have to add an item, so I made an awesome mixtape to contribute to the cache. After that, I looked up the coordinates, decoded the clue – which was also a Harry Potter reference, major bonus – and was on my way. I ventured to the location given on the Web site with the help of a couple fellow geocachers, and we began our search.

After looking in every nook and cranny we could and getting a few strange looks from passersby, we decided maybe we were not the explorers we originally thought we were. We had spent 45 minutes looking everywhere we could think of and had no cache to show for it.

Slightly exasperated, we decided to try an easier cache that was located across campus. We went to the landmark that the cache was supposedly planted around and began our second try. The other students who happened to be hanging out near the landmark were skeptical of us looking through bushes and brush at first, but quickly joined us in our search.

After a couple of minutes one of our new geocaching friends found the tiny cache, and we were all excited to see what treasures it held. Inside was a long list of everyone who had found the cache and the date they found it, the most recent being just two days before. The finder signed the log and returned it to its hiding spot for the next curious geocacher.

Even though we didn't accomplish our original goal, it was still a fun and fruitful adventure. I got to see parts of campus I had never bothered to look at before, while having a good time with friends. If looking on my own campus was fun, I can only imagine how cool it would be to travel to remote and scenic places to find all kinds of caches.

My first experience as a geocacher definitely opened my mind to the sport, and I'm really glad I got to try it.

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# National inquisition



Photos by Matt Binter | COLLEGIAN  
A small, film canister-sized cache sits near the Bluemont Bell waiting to be found. The cache contains a log of all the geocachers who have found it.

## New club brings geocaching to K-State

By Melissa Short  
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

A new club on campus is giving the scavenger hunt a high-tech update.

David Vavra, international undergraduate in computer science, started the Geocaching Club, a sport where players search for "caches" using GPS technology. The club has already had its first geocaching trip and is quickly gaining popularity. Currently there are four caches on K-State's campus.

Geocaching began in the U.S. but is most popular overseas, especially in Vavra's native Czech Republic. The sport is a worldwide scavenger hunt of sorts that uses technology to bring people closer to nature. To play, all that is necessary is a portable GPS, which many people already have on their phones or in their cars.

At *Geocaching.com* players can create a free profile to gain access to coordinates of caches. This is the official geocaching Web site and the most reliable place to find the locations of caches, details about them and any geocaching events going on around the world. Players just need to plug the coordinates into the GPS and let it

lead the way.

The site provides helpful information about the level of difficulty of the cache, which is basically a prize, what the cache contains and any additional supplies, like flashlights, that might be useful. The coordinates often also come with an encrypted clue that will lead one step closer to the cache.

Each cache is different. Some are as small as a film canister, while others are large bins, and the contents vary just as widely. Almost all caches include a log so the geocachers who find them can sign their names and the dates they were there. Others have themes to them – a cache planted right here in Manhattan has only purple things in it.

Caches are generally small so they are easy to hide, meaning the things in them have to be small. A general rule about caches is that when the finder takes something out of it they must put something in.

"The most popular caches are travel bugs, geocoins and just miscellaneous things that are interesting," Vavra said.

Travel bugs and geocoins are created by companies specifically for geocaching and

work as a tracking device, according to *Geocaching.com*.

The bugs or coins are planted into a cache, and when someone finds them, he or she takes it and enters the tracking number into the geocaching Web site. There they can log the story of where they discovered the coin or bug and see where else it has been. Then, they can keep the coin for a while or put it in the next cache they discover so that it can continue its travels.

Caches are planted all over the world, from the K-State campus to Europe and Africa. They are so hidden that most K-State students probably walk by at least one daily without ever realizing it.

"The best part is not the prize," Vavra said. "It is the challenge, the landmarks you see and being able to follow the stories. Sometimes you have to decipher a code or climb a tree and the best part is the nice views along the way."

He said he has traveled all over the world, the farthest he has geocached is Egypt and throughout Europe.

"I just started geocaching, but the coolest place I could think of to geocache is Eu-

rope," said Christine Ebert, junior in nutrition and kinesiology. "There are probably a lot of interesting places there that a lot of people don't know about. That's one of the coolest things; finding caches can take you places you never would have found otherwise."

Ebert became involved in geocaching through Vavra and found her first cache during the club's first meeting.

"My dad always did scavenger hunts with me, and I was intrigued by something that can be done anywhere and that you can do while traveling," Ebert said. "I talked to my friends and found out that a lot of them already knew what it was and had done it and that made me even more interested."

Another part of geocaching is finding a remote place that others would appreciate and planting a new cache. Vavra has planted two caches in the Czech Republic and enjoys going back to them to see who has found them and signed the logs.

Caching can be done alone or in large groups, with friends or family and in almost any place. The K-State club meets Wednesdays at 4:30 p.m.

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TENNIS

# Tennis team to travel to Arkansas for Razorback Classic this weekend

By Danny Davis  
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

The Wildcat tennis team is scheduled to compete in the Razorback Classic this weekend. After bringing home some wins last weekend at the Hoosier Classic, the team looks to continue developing individual athletes.

“We’ve had a lot of progress, but a long ways to go,” said coach Steve Bietau.

With only one senior – Natasha Vieira – and four freshmen on the team, Bietau has been focusing on introducing them to the collegiate level of tennis.

He views the competition at Arkansas as a test of the team’s strength. After losing four athletes from last year’s squad, the team continues to compete for the bottom spots of the roster. Bietau said he views this as a good thing.

“We have more options with doubles teams,” he said.

Vieira won two singles matches last weekend and was on a doubles team that also won twice. She said she enjoys having an abundance of new players.

“All freshmen bring something new to the team,” she said. “It has been interesting.”

The invitational event for this weekend begins Friday and lasts through Sunday in Fayetteville, Ark.

Nina Sertic, sophomore for the K-State Women's tennis team, hits a forehand shot in a home match against Texas last Spring.



Nathaniel LaRue  
COLLEGIAN

## TEXT | Safety issues to be discussed at city meeting

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phone without using the speakerphone option or a Bluetooth headset.

“I understand that whenever you have a law that takes away rights, it is going to be unpopular, but we face the question of whether or not it’s worth it to improve the general safety of Manhattan,” Strawn said, “and I think that, yeah, it is.”

Mayor Pro Tem Bruce Snead is expected to take over as mayor in six months when Strawn’s term ends, and Snead said he also thinks the issue of texting while driving needs to be addressed.

“The dangers of texting while driving are well established,” said Snead. “I think the key question is what is the most appropriate solution.”

Snead said he has seen oth-

er states ban texting while driving and desires an improvement to the safety of Manhattan, if it can be achieved.

“I would be in support of something like this but the devil’s in the details to figure out if it’s right to pass it,” Snead said.

Sarah Craig, sophomore in landscape architecture, said she agrees with the mayor because texting while driving distracts people too much to make it a safe practice.

Jacquie Freund, sophomore in elementary education, said she thinks students too often take the added distraction on without considering the risk.

“I know my friends; when they text they don’t watch the road at all and sometimes they kind of swerve,” Freund said. “So I would like it if people couldn’t text while driving.”

## SGA | Changes to K-State’s emergency alert system considered

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from ISIS,” Tross said. “You have to sign up.”

A new enrollment method is under consideration for next year to replace the current opt-in procedure. If the new plan is implemented, students will be forced to decide if they wish to receive alerts.

K-State Foundation President and CEO Gary Hellebust was commended for his service to the foundation. He is retiring from the foundation at the end of this calendar year. The organization is not a state-run program, but devotes itself to supporting K-State by raising money for scholarships.

“It’s been a labor of love for me,” Hellebust said.

The foundation had began construction on a new building to house its operations, however the economy delayed

the building process.

“Perception became reality and we couldn’t see building an \$18 million building with people losing jobs,” Hellebust said.

However, construction costs have fallen since then and when construction resumes, it may fall under the original estimate.

Joe Norris gave an overview presentation on the elections review and complaint process. Previously, the Senate Operations Committee had raised eyebrows in a move to remove the Elections Review Committee.

“It’s a complicated process,” Norris said of the elections regulations. “[The presentation] was to make other senators aware and give an opportunity to express concerns by coming to the committee meeting.”

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# Purple Masque opens with ‘As Bees in Honey Drown’

By Michael Shoemaker  
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

The first show of the Purple Masque Theater season at K-State opened Thursday night in East Stadium. “As Bee’s in Honey Drown” premiered in front of a full house.

Ryan Moya, freshman in theatre, said he had fun in the performance despite some early cast conflicts.

“It was a little hairy at first to be quite honest; there where a lot of speed bumps,” Moya said. “We weren’t even sure if the show was going to go on as of two weeks ago, but we really pulled our weight and worked through it, and managed to pull it off.”

The cast spent every night together Monday through Friday from 7 to 10.

“As stage manager I record blocking and make sure everyone is there on time,” said Maddie Fuchsman, freshman in theatre. “I also send out rehearsal reports, and during shows I make sure that everything is going well back stage. I make sure all the props get back on the table.”

Fuchsman, Moya and Andrew Winter, another freshman in theatre, said they where very excited about the performance.

“I think it went very well,” Winter said. “I was very pleased by the audience’s reaction and very pleased that they understood the show.”

# Faculty work displayed at Beach Museum



A skull and cross bones created by a K-State faculty member is part of a piece of art on display at the Beach Museum of Art.

Photos by  
Sara Manco  
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By Tiffany Roney  
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

This semester at the Beach Museum of Art, visitors can expect to see pieces by some familiar names in the faculty art exhibition “Renewal: K-State Art Department Faculty Biennial.” The exhibition is the first of its kind in several years and includes work from 20 faculty members of the fine arts department.

## ANYTHING GOES

Martha Scott, business and marketing manager of the museum, described the exhibition as a “faculty-wide collaboration.” She said several members of the faculty discussed different limitations and focuses for the exhibition, but they ultimately decided upon only one restriction – the art had to be completed within the past two years.

“We have a really strong faculty right now – a lot of young faculty, a lot of well-respected senior faculty – so I think the idea of leaving it open enough for the artists to turn in what they feel strongly about ... is a really good thing,” said Jason Sculla, assistant professor of art.



A house made entirely of Starburst wrappers is on display in the Hyle Family Gallery and Marion Pelton Gallery in the Beach Museum of Art. The exhibition called “Renewal: KSU Art Faculty Biennial” will display work created by K-State faculty from the past two years and will be on display through Dec. 24.

Sculla said he wanted to give credit for the exhibition not only to the faculty, but also to the museum. While the professors created and submitted the art, the museum staff put all of the work together, fit it into the available space and curated it.

“The Beach Museum and the art faculty have a really good relationship – it’s just a good combination,” Sculla said.

## ANYONE CRITIQUES

The intent of the exhibition is to give each faculty member the freedom to select examples of their best recent work, Scott said. However, in addition to simply presenting the pieces, as would be the norm in a professional journal, the exhibition is a public forum, where students, other faculty, alumni and the general public is welcome to see, review and critique.

Lynda Andrus, professor of art, said she is in favor of the option for the public to critique the works they see in the exhibition.

“I love to hear responses about my work, because then you can see if the viewer is actually getting the message that you’re putting out there,” said Andrus, who has two pieces in the show, both of which she said are made entirely from recycled Starburst candy wrappers.

## EVERYONE WELCOME

Scott said she wanted to encourage students – even those that aren’t involved with the art department – to come and see what the exhibition has to offer.

“This is a good way to give students a chance to see what kind of work the art department faculty are doing,” she said. “It’s also a nice way to take a break from your normal classes, instead of just sitting in class and listening to a lecture. Come over and take a break.”

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## Road warrior



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Senior linebacker **John Houlik** catches up to UMass kick returner **Jeremy Horne** on a special teams play in the 21-17 Wildcat victory. **Houlik** has played in 33 games as a Wildcat and had five tackles, a pass broken up and his first career interception against Louisiana-Lafayette in the second week of the season.

## Houlik enjoys Wildcat road trips, opposing fans

By **Ashley Dunkak**  
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Road games do not intimidate senior linebacker, John Houlik, in fact, he puts travel at the top of his lists as far as some of his best experiences with the team.

“What I really enjoy is being able to travel, get to see other colleges’ venues, listen to all the away fans greeting you when you come onto the field,” Houlik said. “It’s pretty fun.”

Some of the highlights of the past few seasons include those different environments, such as K-State’s defeat of the Texas Longhorns during Houlik’s sophomore season, playing at Auburn in the bowl game his freshman year and this season’s visit to the Rose Bowl, even though that contest did not end in victory.

With 33 games under his belt, Houlik is a respected veteran and has embraced his role as a leader on the team.

Alex Hrebec, sophomore

linebacker, said, “[He’s always] making sure everybody’s doing what they’re supposed to be doing on and off the field, and just setting an example by what he does and what he says.”

Houlik is motivated by a plain and simple enjoyment of the game.

“[I] try to get guys to play the right way: play with emotion, play with passion, having fun playing the game,” he said. “The reason we started playing the game is because it’s fun. If you don’t have fun doing it, then what’s the point of playing?”

After already having a dream come true by getting to stay in-state and play for a Big 12 Conference school, Houlik was “super excited” to have the opportunity to play for head coach Bill Snyder, whom he referred to as “obviously, a legend.”

He said under Snyder, the team is much more structured than in the previous years, such as players not being able to wear hats or earrings to classes.

“The way the organization’s run; it’s real professional,” he said. “They’re always going to tell us the truth, they tell you what it is, they tell you what you need to do. That’s one of the things that I really like, and they don’t beat around the bush.”

While Snyder has a plethora of knowledge about football, the wisdom the coach imparts to his players is not limited to what is applicable on the field.

“A lot of things that he’s preached to us and talks about will make us become better men on the field and definitely off the field,” Houlik said.

Houlik said while it is difficult to describe how a team comes together, he feels this is the most cohesive team he has been on at K-State.

While he has had good and bad moments this season, Houlik knows there is always work to be done.

“I feel I just need to eliminate the small mistakes I make, just be more consistent with some of my

fundamentals and techniques,” he said. “Things as little as getting lower in my stance before the ball’s hiked, which can help you so much, or taking the proper steps, having the proper footwork, those things come back to self-discipline, teaching yourself to do the right things every play, even when you’re tired.”

His teammates also notice his effort.

“John’s a guy that has a lot of energy, a lot of leadership abilities,” said safety Tysyn Hartman. “He’s always getting on guys when he thinks they’re not working hard enough, and he’s not afraid to tell you when you’re not doing something right. That’s the kind of guy he is, a real stand-up guy [and a] hard worker.”

Houlik thinks an important aspect of the game is taking advantage of the opportunity to be playing it.

“Time goes as fast as it comes, so you’ve really got to seize the moment,” he said.



### An inside look at John Houlik

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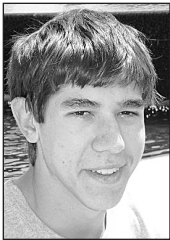
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# Expect to see a shootout Saturday at Arrowhead

The football team studied and delivered a surprising victory last week against Tennessee Tech. The Wildcats put up 49 points in a packed stadium on Saturday's Family Day in what was the best game the defense has played all year.



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The defense did their homework and held the Golden Eagles to negative 19 rushing yards, and the offense returned the favor by gaining 296 yards on the ground.

Carson Coffman only threw nine passes, but completed eight for 131 yards and no interceptions.

Brandon Banks became the 12th player in NCAA history to return two kickoff returns for touchdowns in what may have been a boost to his play for the upcoming weeks.

This was definitely the best game the team has played all year. Grant Gregory came in to replace Coffman and ran for 58 yards and a touchdown in the short period of time he played.

This week the Wildcats go to Arrowhead Stadium in Kansas City to face the Cyclones of Iowa State. It's scheduled as an away game, but the stadium is sure to be filled with plenty of purple.

Iowa State is coming off a 31-10 victory against Army. Dual-threat quarterback Austen Arnaud, who showed plenty of skills in last year's game against KU when they were up 20-0 at halftime, leads the Cy-

clones. Iowa State ended up losing the game, but Arnaud passed for 268 yards and three touchdowns while running the ball for 44 yards in the 35-33 loss at home.

Arnaud will most likely be the player the team has to look out for if they're going to pull out a victory. He threw for 440 yards last year in their 38-30 loss against the Wildcats. This year he has rushed for more than 200 yards and four touchdowns and has thrown for 625 yards, five touchdowns and four interceptions.



Running back Daniel Thomas, who has probably been the best player this year for the Wildcats, will get his first taste of the Cyclone defense. In four games, he has rushed for 451 yards and four touchdowns. He leads the team with 108.2 rushing yards per game, which is good for third in the Big 12 Conference. His running game has been a huge factor in every game this season and will need to see continued success if the Wildcats hope to win Saturday.

If Thomas continues his rushing attack and Coffman and Gregory find ways to complete passes to open receivers, this could very well be another shootout. Iowa State didn't lose too many important offensive players from last year, so I don't expect this year's matchup to be different from last year's.





K-State has some momentum now, and they're playing a close drive home game. If the team plays as well as they did last week, they should come out with a 31-21 victory.

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# Matching Up



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The Wildcats performed well last week on their offense, something they haven't done all season. However, the quality of competition sticks out as a big factor in the offenses' success. The Wildcats ran the ball 60 times, a season high, while throwing the ball just 11 times, a season low. The Cyclone defense will feature better athletes than Tennessee Tech had, meaning the offense will have to be less one-dimensional. Expect to see Daniel Thomas run for big yards, and for Carson Coffman to continue limiting throws downfield.

## SPECIAL TEAMS

K-State's special teams finally made some big plays against Tennessee Tech, with Brandon Banks returning two kickoffs for touchdowns, which resulted in him being named Big 12 Special Teams Player of the Week. He may find this week that Big 12 teams put a bit more talent on the field for special teams, but he should still be able to field the ball well and use his speed to get the Wildcats some good field positions. The Wildcats should avoid field goal situations, as placekicker Josh Cherry moved to 1 for 6 on field goal attempts this season after a miss last weekend against Tennessee Tech.

Iowa State features a combination of strong runners in running back Alexander Robinson and dual-threat quarterback Austen Arnaud. Those two will be up against a stiff Wildcat defense that ranks 10th nationally in total defense through four games. It's also worth noting that Arnaud is prone to turnovers, with 11 interceptions in 2009 already. The Cyclone offensive line has given up just one sack this season, which leads the nation. The unit is led by senior center Reggie Stephens, who has started in 32 straight games for Iowa State.

The Wildcat defense has been far and away the most consistent part of the team this year. If the Wildcats hope to contain Iowa State's ground game, they need to find their way into the backfield and force some bad decisions by Arnaud. In last year's game in Manhattan, Arnaud beat the Wildcats through the air, throwing for a school-record 440 yards passing. Tysyn Hartman, who caught his team-leading third interception Saturday, will need to continue to make plays in the secondary.

The Cyclones defense has been average all season long. They have given up an average of 158.5 rushing yards per game, meaning Daniel Thomas could get lots of carries and could have his fourth 100-yard game of the season Saturday. The Cyclones bring to the field a player similar to K-State's Hartman, David Sims, who has caught three interceptions so far this season. They also feature weak-side linebacker Fred Garrin, who has logged 28 tackles and two forced fumbles in four games this season.

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This game could go either way, with neither team having a decisive home-field advantage and both teams coming off big wins. However, the Wildcats the edge after beating Iowa State last year, and the improved play of the defense should hold Arnaud to far worse stats

than he had last year. If K-State can win the turnover battle and force Arnaud into some bad throws, they can beat the Cyclones. That being said, if the offense can't put points on the board, it could be a long day for the Wildcats.

—Compiled by Grant Guggisberg

### OTHER BIG 12 GAMES THIS WEEK

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# ARROWHEAD | Wildcats looking to Banks, special teams to contribute against Cyclones

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With the exception of last week against Tennessee Tech, scoring points has been a trouble spot for the Wildcats. Last week's 49-point outburst should provide the offensive unit with much-needed confidence.

Senior running back Keithen Valentine said he knows that this game is important if the Wildcats

are to have any hope at making a bowl game.

"We know that we have to win at least seven games to be bowl-eligible, but we are trying to win every game that we play," he said. "We have not been talking about the postseason. We have been talking about taking it one game at a time, but it is in the back of everybody's mind that we have to win so many games

to be bowl-eligible."

The Wildcats could also use some more help from the special teams unit. Last week they provided the team with both points and momentum, with returner Brandon Banks leading the way with a Big 12 Conference-record two kickoff returns for touchdowns.

"Brandon did a nice job on returning kicks against Tennessee

Tech," Snyder said. "But if you go back and look at his two returns, it really was a team effort. Everybody did their job correctly, and I was very appreciative of that."

K-State is just 1-6 in Big 12 openers in the last seven seasons. Its only win during that stretch came against Texas in 2007. K-State has been trading wins back and forth with Iowa State, with the home team having a decid-

ed advantage in the series. That makes the decision to play at Arrowhead all the more intriguing. Quarterback Carson Coffman said he was feeling confident after last week's win.

"We are really excited, and it is our Big 12 opener," Coffman said. "We feel pretty confident after this last win, and we are feeling pretty good about ourselves."

# Banks looks to finish games better

The Collegian spoke with kick returner Brandon Banks, who had a stand-out game this past weekend, breaking a Big 12 Conference record by returning two of Tennessee Tech's kickoffs for touchdowns of 91 yards and 92 yards. This accomplishment marks the first time this season that a Wildcat has earned honors as Big 12 Player of the Week.



Banks

Q: How did this past win impact the team's confidence?

A: "It did us good, you know, we showed what we are capable of doing, what we can do, and what we should be doing every game, so it boosted our confidence up a lot."

Q: What inspires you to give 110 percent each game?

A: "Just the game of football. I love to play football, and I just love to win and be competitive, so I go out there and give it all I can."

Q: What do you think the team's weakness is?

A: "Probably finishing a ballgame or overcoming that rush when something bad happens."

Q: How do you plan to build on your record-breaking week?

A: "Just go out there and continue to get the ball in my hands and just do what I can to get as many yards as I can and score as many touchdowns as I can."

Q: How can you help quarterback Carson Coffman get the ball to you more?

A: "Just get open and communicate with him better. Just get on the same page that he's on."

Q: What's your biggest goal for the team?

A: "Just to win."

Q: So you guys are looking for a bowl game?

A: "Most definitely."

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# K-State opens Big 12 Conference play at Arrowhead

Running back **Daniel Thomas** shrugs off a defender in K-State's 49-7 win against Tennessee Tech last Saturday at Snyder Family Stadium.



Nathaniel LaRue  
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By Grant Guggisberg  
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

The K-State football team will open Big 12 Conference play in Kansas City, Mo., against the Iowa State Cyclones at Arrowhead Stadium Saturday at 2 p.m. The Wildcats and Cyclones agreed to play in the Chiefs' stadium this year and next year in place of each school's respective home games. Snyder has had recent success in the stadium, with his last appearance there as Wildcat head coach being K-State's win against the previously unbeaten Oklahoma Sooners in the 2003 Big 12

Championship game. "I think that it is an enjoyable stadium to be in," Snyder said. "I have been to a number of Chiefs games, and we have played there several times. It's a big, spacious stadium. The locker rooms are very accommodating; it's a fine place to play." Despite past success at Arrowhead, the Wildcats will need to play well to beat the Cyclones. Iowa State is coming off a 31-10 victory against Army last week, in which running back Alexander Robinson rushed for 129 yards and two touchdowns, while catching another touch-

down from quarterback Austen Arnaud. "They have two very talented players in Austen Arnaud and Alexander Robinson," Snyder said. "They are both major threats. Robinson is a player who runs hard; he has good quickness and change of direction. Arnaud is also a good runner. He makes very good decisions, not just in the running game but also when he drops back to throw the ball. They will both put great stress on some areas of our defense." The Wildcat defense, who will be charged with stopping the Cyclone back-

field, will have their work cut out for them in what is probably their toughest test of the young season. The Wildcats on offense lead the nation in time of possession, which will help the defense stay off the field. "[Leading the nation in time of possession] does help out our defense," Snyder said. "But possessing the ball is only half the equation; we need to take advantage of it and put some points on the board. If we can get our defense off the field, for the right reasons, then it is very beneficial."

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